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**Subject:** Re: SR 162 Puyallup River (McMillin) Bridge Project - Governor's Executive Order 05-05

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## Dear Chris,

Thank you for your excellent and supportive response for the preservation and enhancement of the McMillin Bridge to fulfill the inspiration and enrichment of the citizens of our state. As you have emphasized, it is necessary for WSDOT to develop a plan for the perpetuity, maintenance, protection and use of the bridge by the public.

May I add to your response that the \$500,000 originally budgeted for demolition of the Bridge should be used for funding these cultural resources. Executive Order 05-05 clearly states that WSDOT shall consult with the Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) "...as appropriate, as part of the budgeting process for pre-design, design and construction."

I wish to take this opportunity to encourage the other Consulting Parties, Agencies and Organizations to please express their thanks to the DAHP in their support for implementation of the provisions of Executive Order 05-05 by WSDOT. Also, please respond in writing to WSDOT in support of the comments Chris has submitted.

Respectfully yours,

Robert H. Krier, (CE&SE)

**From:** Chris Moore [mailto:cmoore@preservewa.org]

**Sent:** Friday, August 29, 2014 4:07 PM

To: Kiers, Roger

Subject: RE: SR 162 Puyallup River (McMillin) Bridge Project - Governor's Executive Order 05-05 consulation

## Roger,

Thanks to WSDOT and DAHP for the opportunity to continue to provide input as the SR 162 Puyallup River (McMillin) Bridge Project continues. The Washington Trust for Historic Preservation echoes the comments submitted by Robert Krier submitted on August 21, 2014, especially those related to public access. Specifically, we would appreciate WSDOT responses to the following:

- Is an annual maintenance plan in place (or being developed) that would maintain the cosmetic appearance of the McMillin Bridge in a manner inviting for public use once vehicular traffic is rerouted to the new bridge?
- Are any repairs (cosmetic or other) proposed for the McMillin Bridge once vehicular traffic is rerouted to the new bridge in anticipation of the McMillin Bridge being opened for public access?
- Please provide more detail regarding the levee access on either side of the bridge. What is the purpose of levee access? It is recreational in nature? Will public access be available on both sides, or just the south side?
- What signage will be provided at the site and how will WSDOT ensure the signage is appropriate given the historic nature of the McMillin Bridge?
- Will bicycles and/or other non-motorized vehicles be allowed on the McMillin Bridge? If so, will specific bike lines be demarcated?
- Will recreational activities such as fishing be allowed from the bridge?

Given the diverse interests in the bridge from historic, cultural and recreational perspectives, we encourage WSDOT to take the initiative in developing a long-term use plan for the McMillin Bridge with specific proposals for its preservation, maintenance, management, and potential for future partnerships. Such a document, whether in the form of a Memorandum of Agreement or some other agreed upon format, should come out of the 05-05 process and include input from all interested stakeholders.

Thank y	ou for the	opportunity	to comment.
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Best,

Chris

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